

APPENDIX O

MAP OF NEW YORK HARBOR NPS SITES



Many people are surprised to discover the 10 National Parks comprising 23 unique destinations that can be found in and around New York Harbor. These parks are in northern New Jersey, Staten Island, Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan and Westchester County, New York.

From international icons such as the Statue of Liberty National Monument to the 27,000 acre ecological and recreational treasure that is the Gateway National Recreation Area, the National Parks of New York Harbor welcomes more than 12 million visitors each year. Right here in one of the largest and busiest urban areas in the world, your National Parks are wonderful places for respite and renewal.

These parks are among the 390 of America's historical and natural treasures cared for by the National Park Service. At each of our destinations you will find friendly and knowledgeable Park Rangers, as well as valued partners and dedicated volunteers, who care for these special place.

It is our hope that you will use this guide and map to plan a visit to our parks and reconnect with the natural world, our national heritage and yourself.

Maria Burks, Commissioner
The National Parks of New York Harbor, www.nps.gov/npnh

The National Park Service preserves unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the National Park System for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations.

National Park Service Mission

New York Harbor map on reverse, destinations generally numbered from north to south

on map



CASTLE CLINTON

New York City, New York

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Originally built to defend New York Harbor at the time of the War of 1812, Castle Clinton later served as the City's immigrant processing center during the 19th Century, admitting 8 million immigrants to the United States. Castle Clinton was later remodeled and housed the New York City Aquarium until 1941.

212-344-7220
www.nps.gov/cacl

FEDERAL HALL

New York City, New York

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Located on the corner of Wall and Broad Streets, Federal Hall was the meeting place for the first United States Congress and the site where George Washington took his oath of office as the first President of the United States on April 30, 1789. The present building served for many years as the U.S. Customs House and later became the New York Sub-Treasury.

212-825-6888
www.nps.gov/feha

GENERAL GRANT MEMORIAL

New York City, New York

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Popularly known as Grant's Tomb, this is the final resting place of Ulysses S. Grant and his wife, Julia Dent Grant. Designed by the architect John Duncan, the granite and marble tomb was completed in 1897 and is the largest mausoleum in North America.

212-666-1640
www.nps.gov/gegr

HAMILTON GRANGE

New York City, New York

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As the nation's first Secretary of the Treasury, Alexander Hamilton devised plans for funding the national debt, secured federal credit and organized a "country" home in northern Manhattan and named it "The Grange" after the Hamilton family's ancestral home in Scotland.

212-283-5154
www.nps.gov/hagr

THEODORE ROOSEVELT BIRTHPLACE

New York City, New York

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The building on the site is a reconstruction of the house where Theodore Roosevelt lived the first 14 years of his life. He later became the 26th President of the United States and a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate.

212-260-1616
www.nps.gov/thrb

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

New Jersey and New York

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The importance of St. Paul's Church extends to the time of the American Revolution. Visitors can visit the historic graveyard, view one of the oldest functioning pipe organs in America, climb the 200-year old church tower and hear the 1758 bell that was cast in the same London foundry as the Liberty Bell.

914-667-4116
www.nps.gov/sapa

GOVERNORS ISLAND

National Monument

New York City, New York

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This island's fortifications were an integral part of the former harbor defense system of New York, dating back to the War of 1812. Today, the National Monument offers visitors an important look at the area's military history and impressive period architecture, as well as incredible views of the New York skyline.

212-825-3045
www.nps.gov/gois

AFRICAN BURIAL GROUND

New York City, New York

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Starting in the late 17th Century, free and enslaved Africans were buried outside the city walls, sometimes in unmarked graves. Denied equality when they were alive, they were also denied burial in consecrated ground. Between 15,000 and 20,000 children, women and men were buried within a 7-acre area, in what is now called the African Burial Ground National Monument.

212-637-2039
www.africanburialground.gov

ELLIS ISLAND

New Jersey and New York

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From 1892 to 1954, twelve million immigrants entered the United States through Ellis Island. Established in the late 19th Century as the Federal Government's central immigration processing point for New York City, up to 5,000 immigrants were processed each day during the peak years of operation. The newly restored Main Building of Ellis Island hosts the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, attracting millions of visitors each year.

212-363-3200
www.nps.gov/stli

STATUE OF LIBERTY

New Jersey and New York

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Located on 12-acre Liberty Island in New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty was a gift from the people of France to the people of the United States. It has become a universal symbol of political freedom and democracy. Dedicated on October 28, 1886, it was designated a National Monument in 1924. It remains one of the City's most popular attractions, hosting millions of visitors each year.

212-363-3200
www.nps.gov/stli

LOWER EAST SIDE TENEMENT MUSEUM

New York City, New York

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An affiliate of the National Park Service, the museum works to preserve and interpret the history of the immigrant experience on Manhattan's Lower East Side. The first museum in the United States to preserve a tenement, it was designated a National Historic Site in 1998.

212-431-0233
www.tenement.org

GATEWAY

Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island, New York

Monmouth County, New Jersey

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Established in 1972 as America's first urban national park, the three units that make up the Gateway National Recreation Area extend through three New York City boroughs and part of northern New Jersey.

Gateway is one of the most visited parks in America, serving over eight million visitors annually.

718-354-4606
www.nps.gov/gate

CANARSIE PIER

Gateway National Recreation Area

Brooklyn, New York

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Built in 1926 to promote the industrial development of Jamaica Bay, this historic pier offers one of the best fishing spots on Jamaica Bay. Built in an area that once hosted an amusement park, today the pier provides a children's playground and family picnic areas.

718-763-2202
www.nps.gov/gate

FLOYD BENNETT FIELD

Gateway National Recreation Area

Brooklyn, New York

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Dedicated in 1931 as New York City's first municipal airport, Floyd Bennett Field was later converted to a naval air station during World War II. During the early days of aviation, renowned pilots like Howard Hughes, Jacqueline Cochran and "Wrong Way" Corrigan used the field to launch their record-breaking flights.

718-338-3799
www.nps.gov/gate

JAMAICA BAY

Gateway National Recreation Area

Brooklyn & Queens, New York

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The Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge is the largest bird sanctuary in the northeastern United States and the best place in New York City to observe their seasonal migrations.

718-318-4340
www.nps.gov/gate

BREEZY POINT

Gateway National Recreation Area

Queens, New York

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At the tip of the Rockaway Peninsula, Breezy Point provides substantial nesting habitat for many threatened and endangered bird species, as well as one of the best recreational fishing spots in the area.

718-338-3338
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FORT TILDEN

Gateway National Recreation Area

Queens, New York

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Fort Tilden was a key military site overlooking the approach to New York Harbor. Today, the fort's grounds provide athletic fields and hiking trails, and the former post buildings are now a center for the arts on Rockaway Peninsula.

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www.nps.gov/gate

JACOB RIIS PARK

Gateway National Recreation Area

Queens, New York

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Jacob Riis Park was created in the early 20th Century to give New York City residents a new seaside recreation area. Today, the site features the famous bath house and a pristine beach, considered one of the finest in the City.

718-318-4300
www.nps.gov/gate

GREAT KILLS PARK

Gateway National Recreation Area

Staten Island, New York

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Located on the southeastern tip of Staten Island, the park is a fine location for jogging, in-line skating, cycling, fishing, boating, beach activities and bird watching.

718-987-6790
www.nps.gov/gate

FORT WADSWORTH

Gateway National Recreation Area

Staten Island, New York

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The "Guardian of the Narrows" is one of our nation's oldest military sites. Strategically located at the entrance to New York Harbor, the forts stood watch over the City for more than 200 years.

718-354-4500
www.nps.gov/gate

MILLER FIELD

Gateway National Recreation Area

Staten Island, New York

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Built after World War I to serve as a landing field for military aircraft, this 187-acre open space now serves thousands of Staten Island residents each year who participate in organized athletics.

718-351-6970
www.nps.gov/gate

SANDY HOOK

Gateway National Recreation Area

Monmouth County, New Jersey

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The Sandy Hook Peninsula includes 6 miles of ocean beaches, saltwater marshes, the waters of Sandy Hook Bay and historic Fort Hancock. The tip of Sandy Hook overlooks the entrance to New York Harbor. Because of its location, Sandy Hook has played a major role in navigation and coastal defense. The Sandy Hook Lighthouse, the oldest in the country, has guided ships since 1764 and is still an active aid to navigation.

732-872-5970
www.nps.gov/gate

FORT HANCOCK

Gateway National Recreation Area

Monmouth County, New Jersey

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Built at the end of the 19th Century as the outermost defensive point for New York City, Fort Hancock comprises abandoned coastal defense batteries and a collection of period buildings that recall a time of elegant, refined military architecture.

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